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SEVENTEEN SERGEANTS GRADUATE FROM FIRST APS COURSE For more information call Jamie Neal at (859) 622-8552 or Jacinta Feldman Manning at (859) 622-5885

RICHMOND, Ky. – Sergeants from 14 Kentucky law enforcement agencies were recognized today for completing the Department of Criminal Justice Training's first Academy of Police Supervision.

The APS, also referred to as the sergeant's academy, is a three-week (120-hour) training program for newly promoted sergeants or officers who are on their agency's promotion list.

"It's designed for the individual who is taking the first step into a leadership position, the most important step in his career," APS instructor Ken Morris said.

While in the course, students participate in classes focusing on the role of a supervisor, leadership, resolving conflict, managing diversity, monitoring officer performance, professional image, legal issues for supervisors, ethics, interpersonal communication, effective written communication, making decisions, solving problems, managing critical incidents, public speaking, emotional survival, budgeting, media relations, among others.

The program includes reading and writing assignments and scenario-based exercises that are designed to enhance the students' ability to perform at the supervisor's level in their agencies. APS is hands-on, with as much skill demonstration as classroom work.

The APS is eventually intended to become a stepping stone to the DOCJT's Criminal Justice Executive Development (CJED) program, which is a five-week advanced leadership course offered once a year for supervisors at Kentucky's small and medium-size law enforcement agencies. Potential CJED students must rank sergeant or above and be selected by a committee to take part in the course.

Chief William David Cole of Bellevue Police Department was the guest speaker at the inaugural APS graduation ceremony today. He graduated in March from CJED's fifth class.

APS I graduates and their agencies are:

Sgt. Jay Baker Northern Kentucky University

Police Department

Sgt. Thomas Bustle Danville Police Department

Sgt. Chad E. Carpenter Boone County Sheriff's Office

Sgt. Gordon Neal Carter Pikeville Police Department

Sgt. Phillip E. Dunford Independence Police Department

Sgt. James M. Gadzala Fort Thomas Police Department

Sgt. Matthew I. Gallenstein Maysville Police Department

Sgt. James A. Harper University of Louisville Police Department

Sgt. Paul Headley Mount Sterling Police Department

Sgt. Bill Jones Nicholasville Police Department

Sgt. Mark J. Phaup Madisonville Police Department

Sgt. Ronald J. Rice Maysville Police Department

Sgt. Keith Smith Harrodsburg Police Department

Sgt. J.L. Thomas Harrodsburg Police Department

Sgt. Troy L. Vines Erlanger Police Department

Sgt. Chip White Madisonville Police Department

Sgt. Kevin Wiles Bowling Green Police Department

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